I.C.P.O. Calendar

12-20 January 2006

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (January 12 - 20, 2006)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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12/01/2006: Vitaly, RA9YAH, will be active until January 17th as RA9YAH/p from the Kosihinsky area (RDA reference AL-29 for the Russian districts award), Altaysky Kraj (AL). QSL via home call, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx RX3RC]

12/01/2006: JA6EGL (Mike), JH6WDG (Kazu) and JA6CM (Taka) will be active as T88SM, T88AQ and T88CM respectively from Palau (IOTA OC-009) January 12-17th. Activity will be on 160-6 meter CW, SSB and RTTY. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx 425DXN]

12/01/2006: RW4NX (Oleg) and RA4NAJ (Oleg) will be QRV as UE4NFF January 12-14th from the Nurgush natural reserve (RFFA reference RFF-064 for the Russian flora and fauna award), Kotel'nichsky area (RDA reference KI-21 for the Russian districts award), Kirovskaya oblast (KI). Activity will be on 80-20 meter (possibly 15 meter) CW and SSB. QSL cards will automatically be sent via the bureau for all contacts made. There is no need to send your QSL card. [Tnx RA4NAJ]

12/01/2006: DJ4KW (Gerd) and DK9GG (Gisela) will be active January 12-20th as V31YN (CW, mostly on 160 and 80 meters) and V31GW (RTTY) respectively from Belize. February 1-8th they will be active on 40 meters and higher from Southwater Caye (NA-180). QSL via home calls. [Tnx 425DXN]

13/01/2006: Ken, WB2ART, will be active on the Island of St. Croix, US Virgin Islands (IOTA NA-106), January 13-21st. Activity will be (mostly) PSK31 on 20 meters, but he can operate any band 40-10 meters. This activity will also count for the St. Croix Island lighthouse (WLOTA LH-2477). QSL via his callbook address with SASE. [Tnx OPDX]

14/01/2006: Marco, CE6TBN, will be active as CE6TBN/7 from Las Huichas (SA-064, DICE ICE-705) January 14-15th. Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB and CW (QRS). QSL via home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx CE6TBN]

14/01/2006: Patrick, F8DYD/p, will activate La tour du Cordier (DFCF reference 86-022, for the French castles award) and the Mill of Chasseigne (DMF reference 86-008, for the French mills award), Poitiers (CP 86000), canton of Poitiers (86-22), on January 14th. Activity will be on 40 meter SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx F8DYD]

14/01/2006: Les, G3VQO/p, will activate Chanctonbury Hill (SOTA G/SE-009, 238M), Southern England region, on January 14th. Activity will start around 13:30 UTC on 7.030, 5.280, 3.560 MHz CW and 5 MHz SSB. He will also try some 80 meter SSB in the AFS contest. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

14/01/2006: The International Shortwave League (ISWL), continues with their 60th (Diamond) Anniversary celebrations this weekend. GB6SWL will be QRV January 14th and 15th from Heathfield, in East Sussex, England.

Please look out for Arthur (G0KOC) who will be the main operator. Special activities will run throughout the year. These will include the callsigns GB60SWL and GB6SWL being QRV at various times and venues. The ISWL Club Calls GX4BJC /P and MX1SWL /P will also be QRV throughout January. [Tnx F5NQL]

14/01/2006: Richard, GW3CWI/p, plans to activate Glyder Fawr summit (SOTA GW/NW-003, 999M), North Wales region, on January 14th. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW, starting around 13:00 UTC. QSL via G3CWI, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

14/01/2006: I3JUK (Bepi) and IK3ABY (Stefano) plan to activate a new reference for the Italian castles award (DCI) on January 15th starting around 09:00 UTC. The new reference will be the Villa-Castello Miari De'Cumani of Sant'Elena (DCI PD036), located in the Region of Veneto, Province of Padova (PD). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home calls. [Tnx IK1AWV]

14/01/2006: IT9YMM/p (Antonio) and IT9/IV3YIM (Salvo) will be active January 14th from several references for the Italian castles award (DCI) - Tower of the Beam of Pretty (DCI PA-024), Pozzillo tower to Pretty (DCI PA-028) and if conditions allow they will activate the Tower of Orsa to Cinisi (DCI PA-035). All castles are located in the Region of Sicilia [Sicily] (IOTA EU-025, IIA SC-001, MIA MI-107), Province of Palermo (PA). Look for activity on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home calls. [Tnx IT9YMM]

15/01/2006: FIREBALL ALERT: On Sunday morning, January 15th, between approximately 01:56 and 01:59 a.m. PST (09:56 - 09:59 UTC), a brilliant fireball will streak over northern California and Nevada. It's NASA's Stardust capsule, returning to Earth with samples of dust from Comet Wild 2. Observers along the flight path should have a marvelous view of this rare man-made meteor. Radio signals reflected from the capsule's ionized tail may be heard from a much wider area--hundreds to thousands of miles away. Visit spaceweather.com for maps and observing tips. [Tnx SpaceWeather.com]

15/01/2006: Pierre-Luc, F5HRH, will be active from the Democratic Republic of the Congo between January 15-22nd. He has currently applied for a 9Q callsign and is awaiting for it. He is not sure at this time what kind of equipment he will take. More details/information will be forthcoming. [Tnx OPDX]

15/01/2006: Peter, DL3APO, reports that Wolfgang (Wulf) DL1AWI, Matthias (Mat) DL5XU and Erik DL9AWI will be on an expedition to the Pacific from January 14th until March 3rd. They will be active from - Ua Pou Island (IOTA OC-027, DIFO FO-027), Marquesas archipelago, January 15th - 28th; from Raivavae Island (IOTA OC-114, DIFO FO-122), Australes archipelago, February 1-14th; and will travel through Auckland, New Zealand (IOTA OC-036), for the remainder of their trip using ZL/homecall/m. They will run two stations consisting of FT-847, FT-890, IC706MKII, 2x Linear Amp. 600W, Antenna tuner, vertical antennas as well as three fiberglass rods and plenty of wire for Beverage antennas and will place to emphasis on lower bands, especially 160m. QSL cards for these activities are all via DL3APO. Calls (FO/hc) will be announced at a later date. Bookmark www.radioklub.de/cgcg for updates and logs. [Tnx DL3APO]

15/01/2006: Richard, GW3CWI/p, plans to be QRV January 15th from Moelwyn Mawr summit (SOTA GW/NW-016, 770M), North Wales region, at 12:00 UTC and Allt Fawr summit (SOTA GW/NW-025, 698M), North Wales region, at 14:30 UTC. Activity will be on 7.030 MHz CW. QSL via G3CWI, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

15/01/2006: Salvatore, IK1AWV/p, plans to activate the Bastion of the Ciappella of Sanremo (DCI IM-068 for the Italian castles award) on January 15th starting around 08:00 UTC. This reference is located in the Region of Liguria, Province of Imperia (IM). Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB. QSL via home call, bureau preferred. [Tnx IK1AWV]

18/01/2006: Tibi HA7TM and his xyl will be on the road again on this month. They will be active as HA7TM/HI9 from HI9CF's QTH located at Las Terrenas, Samana, Dominican Republic (IOTA NA-096) from January 18th to February 2nd. Tibi will be operating an Icom IC-706 at 100 watts to a 7 element log periodic yagi, rotary dipole for 40m and FD4 multiband wire antenna (perhaps a dipole for 160m, it depends on the local situation). QSL via home call. [Tnx HA0HW]

18/01/2006: John (G4RCG) and Bruce (KI7VR) will operate mainly CW as V25G and V26VR respectively from Antigua (IOTA NA-100) between January 18th and February 1st. They will be active on all bands, with special emphasis on 160, 80, 40 and 30 meters. Look for V25G to participate in the CQ 160M CW Contest as a SO Low Power entry. QSLs for both via G4OOC. [Tnx 425DXN]

19/01/2006: Alfeo (I1HJT), Silvano (I2YSB), Carlo (IK1AOD), Carlo (IK1HJS), Marcello (IK2DIA), Adriano (IK2GNW) and possibily a seventh operator will be active from Somalia for two weeks starting January 19th. They will operate as 6O0N (im memory of Adam Nuur Maxamed Islam) with three stations on all bands (6 meters included) SSB, CW and RTTY. QSL via I2YSB, direct (Silvano Borsa, Vle Capettini 1, 27036 Mortara - MI, Italy) or bureau (e-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to 6o0n@i2ysb.com, a form is available on the website). The pilot for the operation will be Gianni, IS0VSG (is0vsg@tin.it). [Tnx 425DXN]

20/01/2006: Herm CT3FN and Rudi CT3/HB9CQL will be QRV January 20th to February 1st from Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001). Activity will be on all bands and modes. On January 21st and 22nd, Herm will operate as CT9F from the S?o Jorge/Rosais lighthouse located on the north coast of Madeira Island (ARLHS MAD-008, also count for WLOTA LH-0053), from inside the lighthouse. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx DE0MST]

20/01/2006: Look for Paul F6EXV (MU0EXV) and Jan DJ8NK (GU0VNK) to be QRV January 20-30th from the Bailiwick of Guernsey (IOTA EU-114). Activity will be on 160-10 meter SSB, CW and digital modes. QSL via their home calls (QRZ.com addresses). This activity will also count for the Guernsey Island (main) lighthouse (WLOTA LH-0013). [Tnx F5NQL]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

South East Farallon Island Report - We are proceeding ahead with a QRV dates of 2/14 - 2/16/06, and have new Expedition Sponsors on board, with some GREAT prizes donated for our fundraising Raffle program which will be unveiled soon. Check out the Grand Prize mentioned in the 1/11/06 info on our NA-178 temporary update page at: www.k6vva.com/iota/na178 . Our official NA-178 website is now projected to be QRV by about 1/25/06

with considerable details about the Expedition, the Farallon NWR, and of course, the NA-178 Raffle! [Tnx K6VVA]

21/01/2006: DXpedition to Juan Fernandez Island (CE0Z), IOTA SA-005 - January 21st to 28th - All operators are confirmed: Guillermo/XQ3SA (Team Leader), Maite/CE3BYL, Gerard/F2JD, Pedro/CE3BFZ, H?ctor/CE3VII, Dave/K4SV, Bill/N2WB, Bob/N6OX, Ignacio/CE3GFN, Sergio/CE3GL and Juan/CE3GRG. All the equipment and antennas are ready to go. Airplanes tickets and hostelling are confirmed. During the activity, look for the crew on the following frequencies: CW - 1.820, 3.540, 7.020, 10.110, 14.040, 18.080, 21.040, 24.890, 28.040 and 50.110 MHz; SSB - 1.840, 3.795, 7.060, 14.195, 18.145, 21.295, 24.945, 28.495 and 50.110 MHz. The log will be available at www.ce3bsq.cl/ce0z/log.html . QSL Managers: for North America - N2OO, Robert W Schenck, PO Box 345, Tuckerton, NJ 08087 USA; For Europe - F6AJA, Jean Michel Duthilleul, 515 Rue du Petit Hem, 59870 Bouvignies, FRANCE; and for South America - CE3BSQ, Radioclub Manquehue, P.O. Box 27064, Santiago, CHILE. [Tnx F5NQL]

25/01/2006: If you are missing HB0 on top band look for us HB0/T93M (N4EXA) Danny, HB0/T93Y Boris, HB0/T94DX (DJ2MX) Mario, HB0/T94JJ (OE1EMS) Braco and HB0/T96Q Ivek between January 25th and February 1st. They will also be active in WW DX 160m CW contest using the HB0/T94DX call. Before and after contest they will operate with 3 stations on all HF bands, but with focus on 160m and 80m! They will use verticals, dipoles and loops (K9AY; maybe beverage RX) on low bands! The QTH is the same as used by HB0/DL2OBO and they will have some problems working JA?s and far east because of the high hills in that direction. QSL via operators home call (QRZ.com). [Tnx F5NQL]

28/01/2006: LA7JO (Stig) and YU7EF (Pop) will be active from Nepal as 9N7JO during the CQ WW 160 CW Contest (January 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. QSL direct only to 9N7JO (QRZ.com). [Tnx NG3K]

28/01/2006: Rich, K2WR, will be active as GJ2A from the Isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, also count for WLOTA LH-0818 lighthouse) during the CQ WW 160 CW Contest (January 28-29th) as a Single-Op entry. Before the contest Rich will be signing as MJ0AWR on CW and SSB. QSL GJ2A via GJ3DVC (QRZ.com). QSL MJ0AWR via K2WR (QRZ.com). [Tnx NG3K]

28/01/2006: Ian, HS0ZGL, will be active from Thailand in the CQ 160 meter CW contest (January 28-29) as a Single-Op/Low-Power entry. The Thai band is 1.8-1.825 MHz. QSL via his address at QRZ.com. [Tnx NG3K]

28/01/2006: Look for Juha (OH6XX) and Timo (OH6GLE) to be active from Finland as OH6XX in the CQ WW 160 CW Contest (January 28-29th) as a Multi-Op entry. Logs will be uploaded to LoTW. [Tnx NG3K]

10/02/2006: EA7OC (Luis) will be active from Ecuador, between February 10-27th. He has all the papers now, but he doesn't know what his call will be since his arrival to Guayaquil. Probably he will be active as HC2/EA7OC. His activity will be mainly from Guayaquil, but he hopes to be active from another citys of Guayas province. QSL via EA7OC, direct or via EA bureau. [Tnx EA5KY]

11/02/2006: Operators OH2NAK (Seppo), OH3BHL (Raimo), OH6GAZ (Juha), OH6HJE (Pertti), OH6HZH (Mikko), OH6KTS (Markku), OH9MDV (Kimmo) and OH9MM (Juha) will be active as OH0Z from the Aland Islands (IOTA EU-002) in the CQ WW RTTY WPX Contest (February 11-12th) possibly as a Multi-Multi entry if conditions are excellent. QSL via W0MM (QRZ.com).

[Tnx NG3K]

11/02/2006: Look for Giovanni, T77CD, to be active from San Marino in the CQWW RTTY WPX Contest (February 11-12th). QSL via I0MWI direct only. [Tnx NG3K]

14/02/2006: Just a quick note to give you some information about an upcoming trip to the Bahamas (IOTA NA-001). For the ARRL DX CW contest: Bob (N4BP)-C6AKQ, Kevin (K4PG) - C6APG, Bruce (W4OV) - C6AOV and Pete (N8PR) - C6AHR will each operate single band entries 160, 80, 40, and 15 meters. They will travel on Monday, February 13th and probably will be on the air by Tuesday. They will try to operate extensively on the WARC bands before the contest. Plans are to leave on February 20th. QSL to home calls (QRZ.com). [Tnx N8PR]

15/02/2006: Steve, AK0M, will be active as C6ASB from Abaco Island (IOTA NA-080) February 15-22nd. He will participate in the ARRL DX CW Contest (February 18-19th), category not know at this time. QSL via AK0M (QRZ.com). [Tnx NG3K]

15/05/2006: Karl, OE3JAG, reports that he will be QRV May 15-22nd as CT3/OE3JAG from Madeira Island (IOTA AF-014, DIP MA-001, Grid Loc. IM12, also count for WLOTA LH-0053 lighthouse). Activity will be mainly on 30 and 20 meter CW, PSK and RTTY, QRP with a dipole or long-wire antenna. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx OE3JAG]

25/07/2006: Colin, G3VCQ, and others will be active from the island of Arran (IOTA EU-123, IOSA CL-01, SCOTIA CS-14), Clyde Islands, between July 25th and August 1st. The main purpose of the expedition is the RSGB IOTA Contest (July 29-30th) when they will use the special call MM3M. Outside the contest, Colin will operate as GM3VCQ/p on 80-10 meters, including 2 meter and 70cm activity. Modes will be SSB, FM, CW, RTTY and possibly some SSTV. Also look for Steve, M1ERS, to be active throughout the visit. QSL all calls via G4FAL (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

07/08/2006: Look for Jens, DL8WOW, to be active as OZ/DL8WOW from Bornholm Island (IOTA EU-030, DIA BO-001 for the Danish islands award, also count for WLOTA LH-2203 lighthouse) from August 7-17th. Activity will be on 40-10 meters, mainly QRP CW at 5 watts. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

26/08/2006: Operators G0PSE (Tom), G3CWI (Richard), G7KFW (Pat), M0CJW (John), G3ZPU (Tony), G7SJX (Brian), G6SSN (Kevin), G7DEH (Harry), 2E1ALF (Pete), G0RCI (Alan), plus 2 others, plan to be active as GW0GRC or GB0SK from Skokholm Island (IOTA EU-124, also count for WLOTA LH-1179 lighthouse) from August 26-30th. Activity will be on all bands from 80-2 meters. Further details to follow. QSL via G0RCI (QRZ.com). [Tnx rsgbiota.org]

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

11/01/2006: The call sign GB1CPB (GB 1 Century Portland Bill) will be active throughout 2006 on various modes and bands, including satellite, from the 11th January 2006 to 11th January 2007 to celebrate the 100 years of operation for the Portland Bill lighthouse (ARLHS reference ENG-273, WW Loc. IO80SM). QSL direct to G5XW (See QRZ.COM) or via the R.S.G.B. bureau. Further information can be found at www.qrz.com/detail/GB1CPB [Tnx GB2RS]

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DXCC APPROVED OPERATION
The following operation has been approved for DXCC credit:
KH9/W?CN - Wake Island
September 17 - 28, 2005
Bill Moore NC1L
DXCC Branch Manager
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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ
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Home of ICPO: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/
Mirror: http://webhome.idirect.com/~va3rj/
DX Calendar: http://www.qsl.net/va3rj/dx_cal.html
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Canadian Checkpoint For:
All Croatian Islands Award - ACIA
All Croatian Islands Award Group - ACIAG
The World Light House Diplom - TWLHD
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